



Central Vic Salvos

29th March 2026

Over the past six weeks, I have moved around Central Vic Salvos sharing first-hand stories of how Self-Denial giving directly impacted our mission and ministry in Solomon Islands. These stories highlighted specific projects that significantly contributed to the growth and development of The Salvation Army across the Solomon Islands District. Without the generous giving of Australian Salvationists, none of these projects would have been a possibility.

As both contributors and recipients of self-denial giving, Ness and I have been humbled and overwhelmed by the outpouring of God's love and the love of His people, which has empowered us to live out Paul's exhortation in 1 Corinthians 16:13-14 to "be on our guard, stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love." Especially, in a mission context where we have been completely dependent upon the generosity of others. According to Paul, the church should be motivated by the love of Christ, which is firmly planted in the gospel and best expressed through our love for each other and the world around us.

The Self-Denial Appeal provides The Salvation Army with a tangible opportunity to put these exhortations in action through our giving that is both faithful to the gospel and faithful to the relationships entrusted to us.

- Our giving is not motivated by self-gain but self-denial
- Our giving is not motivated by obligation but compassion
- Our giving is motivated by the Spirit of God

Former Salvation Army General Albert Orsborn captured this so eloquently when he penned the words:



The Saviour of men came to seek and to save
The souls who were lost to the good;
His Spirit was moved
For the world which He loved
With the boundless compassion of God.

And still there are fields where the labourers are few,
And still there are souls without bread,
And still eyes that weep where the darkness is deep,
And still straying sheep to be led.

Except I am moved with compassion,
How dwelleth thy Spirit in me?
In word and in deed
Burning love is my need;
I know I can find this in thee.



As we now shift our focus from the Self-Denial Appeal towards the upcoming Red Shield Appeal in May, may be motivated by the same love of God and compassion for humanity as we engage our respective communities to partner with and support the local mission of The Salvation Army.

Major Robert Evans (CVS Team Leader)

MOTIVATED BY



SELF DENIAL 2026

BELIEVE IN GOOD

SELF DENIAL APPEAL

BENDIGO

\$855.70

CASTLEMAINE

\$1700.00

MARYBOROUGH

2025: \$1959.55

2026: \$3613.30

Thank you for all who have contributed to this years appeal.

If you still want to give to the appeal please see your Corps Officer/Leader

Salvo Leggings Fundraiser

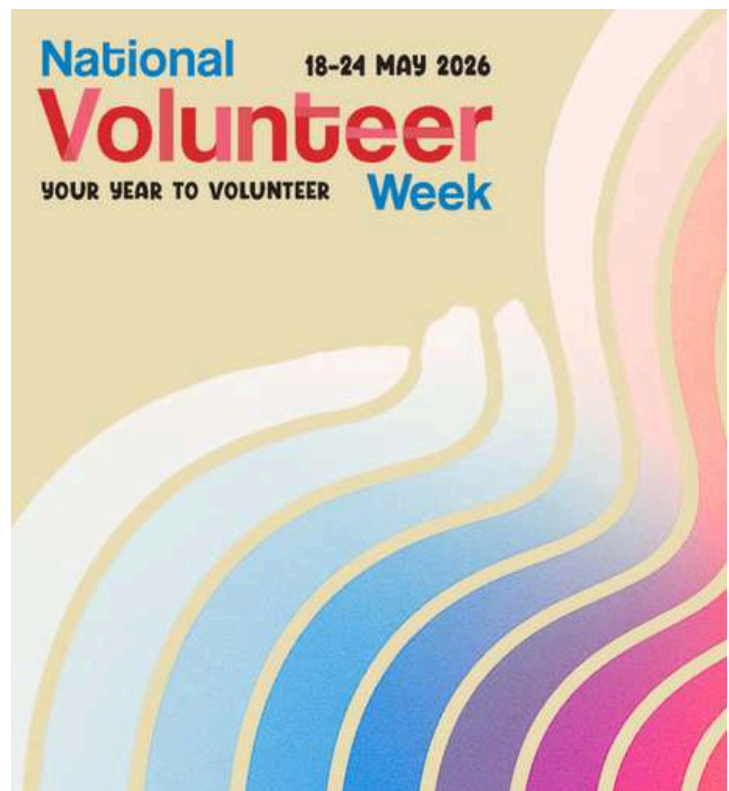
All money raised goes straight to the Central Vic Salvos.

Full Length & Capri Leggings: \$20
Kids & Bike Shorts: \$15

See Ness to order- limited stock available!



National 18-24 MAY 2026
Volunteer
YOUR YEAR TO VOLUNTEER **Week**





EASTER @ BENDIGO

PASSOVER - 2nd April

11:00am - Service

GOOD FRIDAY - 3rd April
10.00am - Reflective Service

Worship Centre
Gate 1
65-71 Mundy St,
Bendigo

EASTER SATURDAY - 4th April

7.30pm - Easter Torchlight Parade Bendigo

To join in the Parade please meet at the QEO car park between 5.00pm - 7.00pm for more information please see Captain Ashir.

EASTER SUNDAY - 5th April
10.00am Service



Easter @ Castlemaine

Good Friday

10:30 Maldon Beehive openair service
(Combined Churches & Maldon Brass Band)

11am Stations of the Cross Walk
(Start and finish at St Mary's, Hargreaves Street)

1pm Fish & Chips Kennedy Street Hall \$10 pp
Easter Story and Craft

Easter Sunday

10am Botanical Gardens BBQs
Hot cross Buns; Easter Egg hunt;
Just Brass Band



EASTER @ EAGLEHAWK

HOLY WEEK PRAYER AND SCRIPTURE READING

Monday to Thursday at 8:30am each morning.
On the Thursday will be lead by Major Robert Evans

FRIDAY 3RD APRIL GOOD FRIDAY

St Peter's Anglican church Eaglehawk, 63 High St, Eaglehawk
Followed by Fish Fingers in buns at Eaglehawk Salvos

51 Church Street,
Eaglehawk

SUNDAY 5TH APRIL EASTER SUNDAY

Combined Sunrise Service with the churches of Eaglehawk at Lake Neranga
10am He is Risen worship service at Eaglehawk Salvos I AM the Resurrection and the Life.



EASTER @ MARYBOROUGH

MAUNDY THURSDAY - 2nd April

6:30pm - 7:30pm Reflective Service

GOOD FRIDAY - 3rd April

Interactive Service: 10.00am
Hot Cross Bun morning tea

27 Wills Street
Maryborough

EASTER SATURDAY - 4th April

Easter Torchlight Parade Bendigo - 7.30pm
(5.00pm - 7.00pm meet at Queen Elizabeth Oval Carpark Bendigo)

EASTER SUNDAY - 5th April

Dawn Service 6.00am - Bristol Hill
Morning Service 10.00am - followed by Easter Egg Hunt



BENDIGO
EASTER
FESTIVAL
APRIL 3-6



Central Vic Salvos

EASTER PARADE

Saturday 4th April

Central Vic Salvos are in the Twilight Parade in Bendigo once again to join in the Parade please meet at the Queen Elizabeth Oval car park at 5.00pm.

For more information please Contact Captain Ashir on 0408 746 114

EASTER REFLECTION

Salvos Stores in Greater Bendigo.

Epsom: Friday 27 march at 11am

Whip Court: Thursday 2 April at 11am

Kangaroo Flat: Tuesday 31 at 11am



salvos
STORES

Eaglehawk

MUSIC IN ACTION

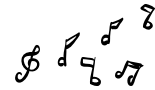
Eaglehawk Corps extend an open invitation to anyone in the community who is interested in playing, or learning to play, a brass instrument

Brass Practice: every Thursday pm & plays every Sunday.

If you are interested please call 5459 0507 & press 1

Ask to speak with Darren Dunn.

Beginners are warmly welcomed, with support and mentoring available.



MONTHLY QUIET CHALLENGE

March: Prayerful Hearts

Read: **Philippians 4: 6-7**



Write down your prayers and notice How God responds

THE SALVATION ARMY

Worship Arts Australia presents

Honour the Brave

A concert paying tribute to the countless Australians who have served and protected our nation

Sunday 26 April 2026 at 3pm

Box Hill Salvation Army

1010 Whitehorse Road, Box Hill

Free entry with love offering to be taken to support the Red Shield Defence Services

Featuring

Melbourne Staff Band
Melbourne Staff Songsters
Salvos Big Band

MSB
MELBOURNE STAFF SONGSTERS
SALVOS BIGBAND

Zero Waste Day

International Day of Zero Waste 2026 | 30 March 2026

For this year's International Day of Zero Waste (March 30), the focus is on food – what we eat, what we waste, and how we can move towards a more circular future.

The world wastes food on a staggering scale. Every year we throw away about 1 billion tonnes of edible food, nearly one-fifth of all food available to consumers. This impacts both people and the environment.

If packed into standard shipping containers placed end-to-end, the total amount of municipal solid waste we generate each year would be enough to wrap around the globe 25 times.

Castlemaine

Castlemaine Sunday Meetings March

Mar 29

Mt 21v12-17

Pigeons and Prayers
– handling anger

Preparing for
Easter

**Free Hot Breakfast
Fridays
9 am -10 am**

**Egg and Bacon Roll
Coffee and Tea**



Re-starting Friday March 27



**Castlemaine Salvation Army
Kennedy Street Hall
By the Railway Station**



**Castlemaine
Salvation Army
Hall Car Park
By the Railway Station**



Palm Sunday

**Sunday March 29
10am Pancakes**

**Pancake Brunch
Family Friendly Faith
Feathery craft**

**Palm Sunday is a joyous part of the
Christian Easter Festival
celebrating Justice, Joy, Equality.
Join us for Pancakes, a colourful story of
Palms, Pigeons and Prayers for Peace.**

**Castlemaine Salvation Army
15-17 Kennedy Street Castlemaine
By the Railway Station**



Palm
SUNDAY

**Hosanna!
Blessed is He
who comes in
the name of
the Lord! The
King of Israel!**

Bendigo

THE BENDIGO SALVATION ARMY SMALL GROUPS

Bendigo

Join one of our small groups to take part in 9 weeks of exploring faith, the bible, and community.

Salvation group

beginners who want to learn about God

Starting Thursday March 19th
6:30pm

Discipleship group

people who want to grow their faith

Starting Sunday March 22nd
4:00pm

If you're not sure which group would suit you, please call our reception and have a chat with Captain Ashir Morris (03) 5440 8410

The Salvation Army, 65-71 Mundy st, gate 1

Local hair dresses have teamed up with The Salvation Army to provide free hair cuts every 6 weeks for people in need



HAIR AID

30th April

18th June

Held in the Bendigo Worship Centre 12.00pm - 2.00pm

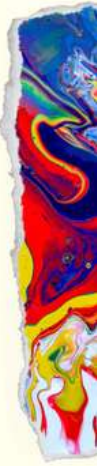
BENDIGO ART SPACE



A free, relaxed drop-in art space.
Inspired by starting afresh and discovering how the Master Creator can do something new within us.
Come, be inspired and create with us!

65-71 Mundy Street
In shelter Shed
(opposite Café)

Monday 1.00pm - 3.00pm
Thursday 1.00pm - 3.00pm



Laundry



Stop by the big orange box next to the Worship Centre and have a chat with our friendly volunteers while you wash your clothes.

Monday: 12.30pm-2.30pm
Thursday: 10.30am-1.00pm

Please make sure you arrive 45 minutes before closing to allow enough time to dry your clothes

Maryborough





Thrift Shops

BENDIGO THRIFT SHOP

2B Thistle Street, Golden Square

Ph: (03) 5459 0504

Open Hours:

9am-4:30pm Monday to Friday

9am-2pm Saturday

BENDIGO CBD THRIFT SHOP

18 Pall Mall, Bendigo

Ph: (03) 5459 0509

Open Hours:

9:30am-4:00pm

Monday to Saturday

EAGLEHAWK THRIFT SHOP

4 Marong Rd, Ironbark

Ph: (03) 5459 0508

Open Hours:

9:30am-5pm Monday to Friday

9:30am-4pm Saturday

CASTLEMAINE THRIFT SHOP

46 Forest Street, Castlemaine

Ph: (03) 5459 0506

Open Hours:

10am-4pm Monday to Friday

10am-3pm Saturday

ST ARNAUD THRIFT SHOP

70-72 Napier Street, St Arnaud

Ph: (03) 5459 0503

Open Hours:

9:30am - 3:30pm Monday to Friday

10am-2pm Saturday

AVOCA THRIFT SHOP

114 High Street, Avoca

Ph: (03) 5459 0502

Open Hours:

10:00am - 3:30pm Mon, Wed, Fri

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

BENDIGO

MONDAY

12.00pm - Community Meal

12.30 to 2.30pm - Clothes Washing

1.00 to 3.00pm - Art Space

THURSDAY

10.30 to 1.30pm - Clothes Washing

11.00am - Chapel

12.00pm - Community Meal

1.00 to 3.00pm - Art Space

SUNDAY

10.00am - Celebration Service

10.30am - Kids School

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

EAGLEHAWK

TUESDAYS

8:30am - Weekly Prayers

WEDNESDAY

11am - 12:30pm Weekly Bible Study - BYO lunch

THURSDAY

2.00pm Band Practice

11.00am 3rd of every month - Aged Care Service

FRIDAY

11.00am Creative and Create Hub
finish at your own leisure

SUNDAY

9:40am - prays

10.00am - Celebration Service

3rd Sunday of month is the church/corps come
and share lunch together. starting February to

November.

51 Church St, Eaglehawk

MARYBOROUGH

MONDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Community Pantry

10:30am - Women's Fellowship *

WEDNESDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Community Pantry

THURSDAY

12.00pm - Noon Prayer

1.30pm - Bowls

4.00pm - Kids Club *

FRIDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Community Pantry

5.00pm - Faith Chats *

6.00pm - Youth Group *

SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting

10.00am - Celebration Service with Kids
Church

27 Wills St, Maryborough

CASTLEMAINE

MONDAY

10.00am - Playgroup*

3:45pm - 4:45pm: Just Brass

WEDNESDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm Doorways

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm - Doorways

SUNDAY

10.30am - Worship Service

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

*not on during school Holidays



Contact Us

THE SALVATION ARMY CENTRAL VIC SALVOS

BENDIGO

Capt. Ashir Morris and Hummera Ashir

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CASTLEMAINE

Beth Waldron Anstice

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EAGLEHAWK

Major Karen Armstrong

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MARYBOROUGH

Major Vanessa Evans

27 Wills St, Maryborough | 03 5459 0500
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2 WAYS TO GIVE



IN PERSON

PLACE YOUR CASH
OR ENVELOPES IN
THE OFFERING PLATE



ONLINE

VIA BPAY
BILLER CODE: 437855
REFERENCE #: 10009



doorways

Doorways is our Community Support program. It is the entryway through which those experiencing hardship and/or disadvantage can take proactive steps to find the support they need to overcome life's challenges and find long-term solutions. We offer a range of services from emergency relief to case management and more.

If you are experiencing hardship or financial difficulties, please call the
Salvos Phone Assistance Line (PAL) on 03 8873 5288.
This service operates Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm.

Please be aware no assistance interviews will be conducted from our local sites. Community members presenting to any of our Central Vic Salvos sites will be invited to contact Salvos PAL.



The Salvation Army Central Victoria acknowledges the Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung Peoples of the Kulin Nation, the Traditional owners of the land on which we meet and work and pay our respect to Elders past, present and future. We value and include people of all cultures, languages, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions and intersex status. We are committed to providing programs that are fully inclusive. We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of people of all ages, particularly children.